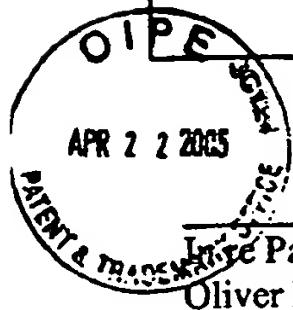


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Dear Sir:

This Amended Appeal Brief is filed in response to the Office Action dated April 7, 2005. The Amended Appeal Brief includes a revised Appendix A that contains a claim (claim 10) inadvertently omitted from Appendix A of the original Appeal Brief dated November 12, 2003.

The fees required under § 1.17(f) and any required petition for extension of time for filing this brief and fees therefor have been paid in accordance with the submission of the original Appeal Brief dated November 12, 2003. However, if an additional fee is due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 50-3145, under Order No. 209565-84174 from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

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CONCLUSION

For the above reasons, Appellants respectfully submit that Claims 1, 10 and 17-19 are patentable over the applied art. Therefore, the Board is respectfully requested to reverse the Examiner's decision.

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